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LETTER TO COMMISSIONER

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of papers from the Patent and Trademark Office mailed January 9, 2004 relating to the above-identified patent application.

The received papers included only a mailing cover sheet (PTO-90C), a notice of references cited (PTO-892), an initialed information disclosure statement (PTO-1449), and four U.S. patents and one literature article which were listed on the form PTO-892. No other papers were received.

It appears that papers may have been inadvertently omitted from the mailing. Therefore, the Commissioner is hereby respectfully requested to supply copies of any papers intended to be mailed but not listed above and to re-start the term for response to such papers.

If there are any questions regarding this submission or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned at (202) 624-2845 would be

appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

Respectfully submitted,

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